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SETTING UP OF INSTITUTES LIKE NIPER
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of drugs and pharmaceutical products in the country especially in West Bengal during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up more institutes like National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) or its branch in all the States especially in West Bengal;

(c) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(d) the time by which such institutes are likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a): As per the information available with this Department, the approximate value of annual domestic production during the last three years is as under:

2004-05 - Rs. 52,029 crores;

2005-06 - Rs. 62,566 crores;

2006-07 - Rs.68,442 crores

The West Bengal Government have informed that production of drugs and pharmaceuticals in West Bengal is about Rs. 500 crore.

(b) to (d) : After approval of the Cabinet in August, 2007, the Central Government has decided to establish National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) at Ahmedabad (Gujarat), Hajipur (Bihar), Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Kolkata (West Bengal), Guwahati (Assam), and Raebareli (Uttar Pradesh). Out of these classes in some post graduate courses in four NIPERs, have been started at Ahmedabad, Hajipur,Hyderabad and Kolkata with the help of their respective Mentor Institutes.